case is inappropriate for application of this procedure.

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§303.104 Procedures for posting security, bond or guarantee to secure payment of overdue support.

(a) The State shall have in effect and use procedures which require that absent parents post security, bond or give some other guarantee to secure payment of overdue support.

(b) The State must provide advance notice to the absent parent regarding the delinquency of the support payment and the requirement of posting security, bond or guarantee, and inform the absent parent of his or her rights and the methods available for contesting the impending action, in full compliance with the State's procedural due process requirements.

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(c) The State must develop guidelines which are generally available to the public to determine whether the case is inappropriate for application of this procedure.

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§ 303.105 Procedures for making information available to consumer reporting agencies.

(a) Consumer reporting agency means any person which, for monetary fees, dues, or on a cooperative nonprofit basis, regularly engages in whole or in part in the practice of assembling or evaluating consumer credit information or other information on consumers for the purpose of furnishing consumer reports to third parties, and which uses any means or facility of interstate commerce for the purpose of preparing or furnishing consumer reports.

(b) For cases in which the amount overdue support exceeds \$1,000, the IV-D agency must have in effect procedures to make information available to consumer reporting agencies upon their request regarding the amount of

overdue support owed by an absent parent. The procedures must include use of guidelines that are generally available to the public to determine whether application of this procedure is inappropriate in a particular case. In cases in which the overdue support is less than \$1,000, these procedures are at the option of the State.

(c) The State IV-D agency may charge the agency a fee not to exceed the actual cost to the State of providing the information under paragraph (b) of this section.

(d) The IV-D agency must provide advance notice to the absent parent who owes the support concerning the proposed release of the information to the consumer reporting agency and must inform the absent parent of the methods available for contesting the accuracy of the information.

(e) The IV-D agency must comply with all of the procedural due process requirements of State law before releasing the information.

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§ 303.106 Procedures to prohibit retroactive modification of child support arrearages.

(a) The State shall have in effect and use procedures which require that any payment or installment of support under any child support order is, on and after the date it is due:

(1) A judgment by operation of law, with the full force, effect, and attributes of a judgment of the State, including the ability to be enforced;

(2) Entitled as a judgment to full faith and credit in such State and in any other State; and

(3) Not subject to retroactive modification by such State or by any other State except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section.

(b) The procedures referred to in paragraph (a)(3) of this section may permit modification with respect to any period during which there is pending a petition for modification, but only from the date that notice of such petition has been given, either directly or through the appropriate agent, to